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The official newsletter of the Madison County R/C Flyers, AMA sanctioned club chapter 291



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*Meetings held the second Monday evening of each month at 7:30pm at the Anderson Municipal Airport. The public is encouraged to attend!* 

Hi everyone, We hope you are enjoying the summer.

Been a slow news month, not much going on. The Glass Festival is coming up this weekend, so look for pictures and stories in next week's Pit Talk.

#### Warbirds over Deleware by Jeff Montgomery

I attended the Warbirds over Delaware event July 13-14 in Kirkwood, Delaware. The RC field is located in a state park, therefore parking was somewhat limited. They provided bus service from the park to the field.

Their field is about twice the size of our field but has a huge woods directly across from the pits and a swamp off to the left. Normally all went smoothly unless a catastrophic problem occurred and then it was hard to retrieve the plane.

The event had about 150 high quality warbirds from WW1 thru current military jets. There were probably 150 spectators throughout each day. But it was hot hot hot and that might have limited the crowd. The flight line was busy with 6-15 planes in the air constantly. At noon each day they flew first a WW1 group of planes followed by WW2, then special flights such as the A10 formation flying or the B26. In every case I'd say the pilots did a very good job. The quality of the planes matched the quality flying.

Most of the planes were gasoline powered. Only two were electric. The planes were at least 80 inch wingspan minimum. It seemed the engines of choice for the more sophisticated planes was either the Moki 5 or the Sato 3. The Sato 3 actually sounded the most realistic when used in a Corsair. All in all it was a good air show, complimented with quality flying and quality aircraft. It takes about 10 hours to drive there so it's not a horrible drive. For me, the trip was well worth the effort. I would definitely go back.

#### Jeff Montgomery









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# **Officers' Reports**

## **Treasurer Byron Hamrick:**

slow month money wise, only five transactions in last 45 days. The ad for the november swap meet has been paid and ad placed for publication. new location now @ Eagles lodge in Alexandria. Glass festival this thursday evening for setting up tent, hope to see at least ten folks to help with tent. happy flying. **-Byron** 

# Fill-in Secretary Jon Fish:

### Meeting Minutes July 10 2017

The meeting was brought to order with 11 members present. Again this month's meeting was held at the Field. With the threat of a coming thunderstorm the meeting was moved along quickly. As thunder boomed in the background Byron Hamrick gave his Treasurer's report. Once again lamenting the need for funds to keep the club afloat.

Jon Fish recited the minutes of the June meeting as secretary Bill Hallsworth was MIA and the newsletter had not been posted yet.

The swap meet was brought up. Jon fish is working the possibility of having the Eagles lodge in Alex as a venue for the swap meet. As of the writing the Eagles lodge has been secured and Byron is very happy. This year's swap meet will be held at the Eagles in Alex. Plenty of room and no tables to rent.

Bill Dewitt said he is going to be gone for a couple of weeks and someone will need to mow the field. Tom Kelly said he would take of it. Thanks Tom

The Giant scale meet was brought up. Flyers are needed to promote the event.

The glass festival was brought up. This year we will be raffling off a quadcopter. This should generate more interest and raffle ticket sales. Booth space is rented and the spot is secured. The dates are August18, 19, and 20. Please we need help for this event. All members are encouraged to attend.

The next meeting will also be held at the filed weather permitting.

The idea of a fish fry was brought up as a fund raiser for the club. But there are not enough members to pull this off as a fish fry requires a lot of man power.

Tom Kelly mentioned turning the point back into a corn field so the club could sell sweet corn. Nothing else mentioned on this.

50/50 was won by Tom Kelly who donated it back to the club. Thanks Tom.

Byron Hamrick made motion adjourn and everyone high tailed it out before the rain hit. That's all folks Fill in secretary **Jon Fish** 

# Newsletter editor Dave Johnston:

This has been a good summer for taking a break from building, and enjoying my planes. Haven't received much input for Pit Talk, so have had more time for flying I guess! The Mini Vapor, the Mini Yak, the F4F Wildcat, the Big Stik, and the Avistar have all gotten their share of air time. I purchased a little camera drone called a "Fly Egg" off the Internet, but am just starting to figure out how to fly it. Autumn is coming soon, and with it the usual high winds, so get out there and fly while you can!

The mighty "Fly Egg" drone!

